IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Raizo KUGE et al.

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MANUFACTURING METHOD AND APPARATUS OF GUSSET BAG

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 4 as follows:

--4. (amended) A manufacturing method of a gusset bag according to claim 1, wherein:

said open surface is formed at each end of said side film and said flat film; and

said strip-shaped film is cut along a prescribed cutting line so as to form gusset bags in two rows to the left and the right.

Amend claim 6 as follows:

--6. (amended) A manufacturing method of a gusset bag according to claim 1, wherein said side film forms side

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surfaces of two gusset bags located adjacent each other in front and back in the transfer direction of said flat film.

REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

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4. A manufacturing method of a gusset bag according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein:

said open surface is formed at each end of said side film and said flat film; and

said strip-shaped film is cut along a prescribed cutting line so as to form gusset bags in two rows to the left and the right.

6. A manufacturing method of a gusset bag according to any one of claims 1—to 5, wherein said side film forms side surfaces of two gusset bags located adjacent each other in front and back in the transfer direction of said flat film.